



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **TAJIMA, Kazuhiko et al.**

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For: **WAIST EXPANDING AND CONTRACTING STRUCTURE FOR PANTS OR THE LIKE**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 5, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **August 6, 2003**, extended to **January 6, 2004** by a **two (2) month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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